## **COMMISSION MINUTES, July 11, 2016**

The Board of County Commission (BOCC) for Washington County met in regular session on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 in the Commission room at the Washington County Courthouse. Members present: Gary Ouellette, Chairman, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commissioner; Tim Mueller, Vice-Chairman, 1<sup>st</sup> District Commissioner; and Roger Otott, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Commissioner. Denae Jueneman, County Clerk, was present to record meeting minutes.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

Chairman Ouellette called the meeting to order.

The BOCC met July 7<sup>th</sup> to work on 2017 budgets.

Don Heitman, Bank of Palmer, presented lease/purchase agreement for two motor graders. Commissioner Mueller made a motion to sign the agreement. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mueller made a motion to hire Paige Stille as temporary Janitor. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Ed Henry, Twin Valley Developmental Services, visited with the BOCC regarding the KDOT 5311 general transportation program. Henry was directed to contact KDOT and Flint Hills Transit to arrange a meeting with the BOCC to discuss options available.

Justin Dragastin, Dragastin Insurance, discussed hail damage to County buildings and having bids submitted for damage repair. Bill Keesecker, Washington County Fair Board, discussed damages to Fair ground buildings and questioned why the beef barn is on the County's policy and not on the Fair Boards policy. Dragastin is checking the policy.

The BOCC received the 2015 Year End report from Kimeo Township.

Chairman Ouellette signed a travel request from Duane Bruna, Environmental Science Director.

Jueneman submitted a health insurance premium comparison between 2015 and 2016. It was noted that by switching to the State of Kansas Employee Health Plan from a Blue Cross Blue Shield Plan, the County is on target to save slightly over \$400,000 in 2016 as compared to the 2015 rates. Rates with BCBS were set to increase 13% in 2016 so the savings compared to what the rates would have been in 2016 exceeds \$550,000.

Justin Novak, Road & Bridge Supervisor, discussed a recent dump truck accident and asked for executive session for non-elected personnel reasons. Commissioner Mueller made a motion to enter into executive session. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. No action was taken upon returning to regular session.

Tiffany Hayman, County Health Administrator, requested executive session for non-elected personnel reasons. Commissioner Otott made a motion to enter into executive session. Commissioner Mueller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. No action was taken upon returning to regular session.

Elizabeth Hiltgen, County Attorney, joined the meeting.

Randy Hubbard, Emergency Management Coordinator, submitted a grant application and travel requests. Chairman Ouellette signed the forms.

Roxanne Schottel, Washington County Hospital Administrator, was asked to provide recent financial statements to help the BOCC in 2017 budget preparation. Schottel received a \$20,000 invoice from Hutton Construction which reflected the retainage that was held back until the hospital project was completed. The BOCC directed Jueneman to pay the bill from Courthouse funds.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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| (SEAL)                       |  |
|                              | Tim Mueller, Vice-Chairman, 1 <sup>st</sup> District Commissione |
|                              | Roger Otott, 2 <sup>nd</sup> District Commissioner               |
| Attest:                      |  |
| Denae Jueneman, County Clerk | Gary Ouellette, Chairman, 3 <sup>rd</sup> District Commissioner  |